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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows. Insertions are shown underlined.

Paragraph beginning at page 2, line 16:

A strut mount according to a first embodiment of the present invention comprises an inner member to which the upper extremity of a rod of a buffer is fixed, an outer member attached to the vehicle while surrounding an outer circumference of the inner member, and an elastomer interposed between the inner and outer members to dampen vibration, wherein the outer member is provided with an attachment piece that is fitted and secured to an attachment plate of the vehicle from underneath, the attachment piece being curved in the form of a <u>partial</u> sphere corresponding to the shape of the lower surface of the attachment plate curved in the form of a <u>partial</u> sphere.

Paragraph beginning at page 3, line 8:

Incidentally, when the attachment piece of the outer member is curved in the form of a <u>partial</u> sphere, the surface fastening to the vehicle body is also in the form of a <u>partial</u> sphere. Accordingly, when a rubber elastomer is formed, it poses a problem that a rubber burr is liable to be produced when a rubber comes into the fastening surface. Since a bolt cannot be tightened by a predetermined torque due to the presence of the rubber burr and deteriorated rubber may cause the tightened bolt to be loosened, it is necessary to get rid of the rubber burr after forming, leading to a cause of higher working cost.

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